

# Chekhov Shop

The Chekhov Shop is a museum in Taganrog, Russia. This is a two-storey house where the famous Russian writer Anton Chekhov stayed with his family from 1869 to 1874.

The building was built in late 1840s and is located on the crossing of Alexandrovskaya (formerly Monastirskaya Street) and Gogol Street (formerly Yarmarochniy Pereulok). The Chekhov family rented this building from the merchant Ivan Moiseev. The family moved into this building due to commercial interests of Anton Chekhov's father. The shop's entry featured a sign "Tea, sugar, coffee, and other colonial goods".

When Anton's father was away on business, he had to replace him serving as shop assistant and keeping the accounting records. It is on the first floor of this house that the future world-famous playwright wrote his first stories and staged amateur theatricals with other Chekhov family children or with gymnasium fellow students.

November 3, 1977 museum "The Chekhov Shop" was open offering visitors objects and documents related to Chekhov youth years and life of the Chekhov family.

## Photographs

### The Chekhov Shop

Музей "Лавка Чеховых"



The old sign on the entrance reads "Tea, sugar, coffee, and other colonial goods"



**Established** 1977

**Location** Ulitsa Alexandrovskaya 100, Taganrog

**Type** memorial house

**Director** Yevgeniya Petrovna Konoplyova  
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The Chekhov Shop museum after renovation in 2010, during the Chekhov 150th anniversary celebrations in Taganrog

The shop's entry sign reads "Tea, sugar, coffee, and other colonial goods" in

Memorial plaque on Chekhov Shop museum. The inscription reads: "In this house Anton Chekhov spent 5 years of his childhood (1869-1874). And in this same building the writer's father kept his shop."

Old weights



Samovar, coffee grinder and coffee pot. Collection of the Chekhov Shop memorial museum.

Chekhov family's piano from the collection of the Chekhov Shop memorial museum.

The drawing room at the Chekhov Shop memorial museum.

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